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Title: The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs laid a statement Correcting Reply given 16.05.2006 To Unstarred Question No. 3631 by Shri Rasheed masood, MP and Shr Bhanu Pratap Sing Verma, MP regarding 'Issuance Of Arm Licence' Alongwith Giving Reasons For Delay In Correcting The Reply .

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): Sir, on behalf of my colleague, Shrimati V. Radhika Selvi, I beg to lay a statement (i) correcting the reply given on 16.05.2006 to Unstarred Question No. 3631 by Shri Rasheed Masood, M.P. and Shri Bhanu Pratap Singh Verma, MP regarding 'Issuance of Arm Licence'; and (ii) giving reasons for delay in correcting the reply.

MR. SPEAKER: I find too many mistakes.

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MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRYOF HOME AFFAIRS

STATEMENT TO BE MADE BY THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS CORRECTING THE REPLY TO PART (C) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTIONS 3631 DATED 16.05.2006 ASKED BY SHRI RASHEED MASOOD, MP AND SHRI BHANU PRATAP SINGH VERMA, MP REGARDING ISSUANCE OF ARM LICENCE.

I beg to correct the reply of part (C) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3631 answered on 16.05.2008 regarding issuance of Arm Licence as follows:

Part of the Question answered	For	Read
(C)	Rule 53 of Arms Rules, 1962 stipulates that on application from a licence-hlder, a licensing authority may extend the area of validity specified in his licence, if he is satisfied about the need of such extension, subject to the condition that the licensing authority has the power to grants a licence in relation to the area to which extension is sought. I n addition, it has been laid down in the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs' vide letter No. ;V-11026/8/89-Arms dated 04.07.1989 that as a rule, the licences with all India validity shall be granted in very rare cases. The few exceptions where consideration could be given would comprise the following categories. (1) Ministers and Members of Parliament; (2) Serving officers of Defence Services, police and para-military organizations and officers of Government having liability to serve anywhere in India; and (3) Members of recognized Rifle Clubs and Rifle Associations for bona-fide sports and games.	(C): As per guidelines issued in 1995, requests for extending the area validity of Non-Prohibited Bore arms licences are considered by the State Governments concerned on merits based on the recommendations of the DMs concerned, keeping in view the law and order situation obtaining in the district/State and other local factors. In respect of Prohibited Bore Arms licences, requests for extending the area validity for the All-India are considered by MHA on merits, in consultation with the State Governments and the security agencies concerned.

The inconvenience caused is regretted.

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